the loveliest place imaginable. You remember Elizabeth Barrett Browning's "Oh, to be in England, now that the outside. I never page it without just, they don't have to dance, for the In the absence of Secretary Baker April's here!" Well, she only wrote remembering that soon after I came that because she didn't know Wash-

We Americans don't half realize how "Why, that's the McLean home. midst of about the most absolutely im- the question. which was doing so much for all the verted to Mrs. Walsh since the spoke sarcastic" either!

Zaldivar, wife of the Minister from vants. home if they found the climate of the eastern United States wonderful and bracing and health giving this last long here regarded it as "simply devil-

More Dinners for the Readings.

The British Ambassador and Lady Reading took possession of the British tent that one would be ready to swear Embasey on Monday, having occupied that they are meats. Her dinners the Moran house up on Sheridan Circle since their arrival about a month a generation. She entertains the most ago while the embassy was being put distinguished and interesting people in order for them. One must admit who come here, and as dinner at Henthat it needed putting in order. It is derson Castle often resolves itself into character! It fairly shouts aloud the them amusing. Incidentally they are British "his house his castle" idea mighty good dinners. with its rather grim "nobody at home" aspect. And yet inside there is such to-night, but of course they are exspacious luxury about it. It is very

fact that they had another residence courtesy turn out in force. at their disposal to stay away from

Lord and Lady Reading have found the upheaval a bit disturbing. They Marselllaise," which should make a "Saturday is a Hooverless day, glory have tried to keep their engagements billiant and inspiring prologue.

be!" quite forgetting that Mr. Hoover down on the plea of "getting settled." The floor committee is to be made has asked that it be porkless, which

LAKEWOOD STARTS

peared, genming the lawns with purple, white and gold. Brave little suffragists they are, flaunting their colors gayly in spite of lingering frostiness.

Washington in springtime is surely Washington in springtime is surely the loveliest place imaginable. You

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the occasion, since the affair is for the benefit of their own wounded.

Tou knew, didn't you, that none of the foreign officers dance? "Cest defendu" while their countries are at war, except, to be sure, to the Canadians, who have less regard for the forms of eliquette than their European brothers in arms. The others on a round of dinners, the Da Gamas and Mrs. Richard Townsend gold greatly on the loveliest place imaginable. You to Washington while passing it with a friend I asked, "Please tell me what that building is?" And her response.

truly blest we are. It was brought came back with, "Home for what?" Whereat she shouted aloud in her glee. home to me weeks ago, when in the but admitted that she didn't wonder at

possible winter the oldest inhabitant. The other house, the Walsh resican remember Princess Chika burst dence, is a very different looking abode into a mapsody on our perfectly won- - a big turreted white stone pile built bracing American climate on Renalssance lines. That has reforeigners who were over here. She people took possession of the McLenn was positively getting stout. It wasn't house, but she has been away pretty much all winter, and the house It sounded so, but her sister, Mmc. been unoccupied except for the ser-

Salvador, whom she is visiting, echoed On Tuesday the Readings were the the sentiment, and a group of French honor guests for whom Mr. and Mrs. "missionaries" - officers and their Edward R. Stettinius entertained at wives-agreed fervently. It didn't 2501 Massachusetts avenue, where seem possible that they were serious, they have been established since Mr. but apparently they were, and it left Stettinius came down to do the buying the Americans present gasping with for the War Department. On Wedneswonder as to what extremity of dis- day, so far as I know, they dined at comfort they were accustomed back home. It must have been a veritable red letter night.

Officer Who May Not Dance.

On Thursday Mrs. Richard Townsend entertained for them and last night Mrs. John B. Henderson, Mrs. Henderson, you know, is a vegetarian and has a wonder cook who can camouflage vegetables to such an exhave been notable in Washington for full of uncompromising British a guessing game, people always find I don't know who entertains them

pected at the ball later - the Red, like most of those who have occupied White and Blue ball for the Franca it-full of gracious charm when one wounded, you know, at the Willera of course the Jusserands, who so girls are always more than ready to the course the Jusserands, who so girls are always more than ready to the course the Jusserands, who so girls are always more than ready to the course the Jusserands, who so girls are always more than ready to the course the Jusserands, who so girls are always more than ready to the course the Jusserands. The Readings have not gone in for rarely go anywhere nowadays, have sit out a dance with them. So they any very extensive remodelling. They taken a box, and all their diplomatic all turn out in force and look on from have simply taken advantage of the allies will as a matter of international the side lines.

at their disposal to stay away from the smell of paste and paint while the smell of paste and paint while the embassy was completely redecorated, the floor, the stripes made up of 100 it ought to be a brilliant and effective papered and painted from parter to papered and painted from garret to jackies, fifty in blue uniforms and scene. But they probably won't Like cellar. "Just by way of giving it fresh courage," as one of the staff quaintly dominoes including most of the best preceded by innumerable dinners, put it. And, perhaps by way of giving known and most popular in Washingthemselves fresh courage, they have ton society-making the tricolor. The or having company to-night," is the young people forming the flag are to way one woman put it. And as a open the hall with the singing of The prospective hostess fervently added.

looking house, handsome in a way, but go to all the dances and add greatly substitutional looking from to the color of the scene, and to be as they got back.

Washington, March 23.

PRING is here! Has it reached you get in New York? Almost over night the crocuses apportant of the



For to-night's ball all the women

be!" quite forgetting that Mr. Hoover at a formal dinner.

Without knowing who is dining

Assistant Secretary Benedict Crowell becomes the official host of the Japanece War Mission, and he accepted the responsibility by giving a dinner in their honor at the Army and Navy Club after the Japanese Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Tokichi Tanaka, had first though on the very day they moved up entirely of French officers on duty naturally makes no serious difference entertained for them at the embassy Society declines to interest itself very much in these dinners, since they are the Readings, one could almost write stag parties made up almost entirely the dinner list blindfold. Practically the same set is invited to meet them at each bouse they are

MISS MARGARET

D IN MARCEAN

WILSON.

bables of Belgium had their pla American hearts Mrs. Hower ture on behalf of her tiny subject.

The stands that we shall all the stands of t

for them. Mrs. Herbert Hoover was always a group of prominent Congressional of the committee which was sional women receiving with her and managing the sale, which was under always a little talk on some one of the the patronage of a distinguished group vital issues of the day, which of course doesn't sing rag time, she is very kind of official women headed by Mrs. Wil-means of the war. When there is no about singing almost anything the son and including all the Cabinet one else to talk she fills in. She admits want. She is at her best in the family

in the matter of providing recreation

she has allowed herself this winterwhen she came home for the holdays and stayed about a month I had the one of those little tens which are about the only form of entertain us that it White House is indulging in the winter. We were asking her about he concerts and she told us quite frank! what a perfectly lovely time she had on tour, with everybody anxious to tionize her socially as much as sta-

would submit to. Some one asked her if she was a all nervous when singing in public and she admitted the she was some times, horribly, just one she began to sing, as she came the moment the first note came slo forgot about the nerves. "But they're there, I suppose; for sometimes I am so exhausted afterward, even the next day, when certainly I have done not ing to exhaust me physically. Then doesn't seem any adequate reason to Why should I nobe all over Sometimes I really feel sore from And yet everybody is so kind'

Mins Wilson a Payorite.

the report that Miss Wilson was going

of last week she would have been del

uged with questions as to her plans

off again on another concert tour-

through the West this time. Her cor

certs, you know, are all benefits for the

Red Cross, and while she has probably

not set herself, like McCor.nack, the

fers, she has really been able to turn

over a very substantial sum as the proceeds of these tours. The story

that Miss Wilson would go abroad has

been practically authoritatively design

by Miss Benham, Mrs. Wilson a secr.

During the only real breathing snel

stunt of singing \$100,000 into its cor

abread "to engage in war work. if the had only stayed at home for a few days when she came at the end

There was very general interest in

"One thing," she continued, 'doe worry me. And that is the way the newspapers that pay absolutely is attention to my singing will fall a over themselves to put it on the from page if I happen to make a little atend to be a speaker, I'm a singer, at I'd I ke them to pay a little more a: less as they choose to my speaking

Whereat I gently reminded the lad that probably the fact that the news papers could reproduce her word while they couldn't possibly reproduher notes, had something to do w she enjoys her career much more the nice ther job as daughter of the White House

A sother women who is beginn no figure in war work at the capital Mrs. Rupert Hughes, whose write husband has for the time being qu writing and gone to soldiering. He Captain on the General Staff stationed at the Army War college Mrs. Hughes, who is spending ! winter in Washington, is knee deep the War Savings campaign, working directly under Milton Alles of to Riggs Bank. She is a four turn man in spite of a masculine scotte who insists "You know perfectly we that no woman could limit her spec-

soon as all returns have been made. MOTORS AND YACHTS ENLIVEN MIAMI

MRS RUPERT HUGHES

struck Monday evening when the war of Toronto, Mrs. Harry Worcester Smith. sings away from formal functions.

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MANY WAR GARDENS

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